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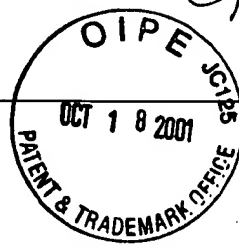
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In re Application of:
Mark Roland Boeder

Application No.: 09/900234

Filed: July 6, 2001

For: CHRYSANTHEMUM PLANT
NAMED 'VULCAN TIME'

Art Unit:

Examiner:

Atty. Docket: 10451.0016.NPUS00

Preliminary Amendment

The following amendments to the above application are submitted by the Applicant.

Applicant has included a red-lined copy of the specification which reflects the following amendments. Applicant has also included a clean copy of the amended specification with all of the following amendments accepted.

In the Specification:

The specification has been amended at page 2, lines 18-19, to delete the sentence "The age of 'Vulcan Time' in the photo is 60 days from the onset of short days."